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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.97(c),
AND EXPLANATION OF THE RELEVANCE OF THE CITED PRIOR ART**

Sir:

The undersigned hereby requests that the prior art cited on the attached prior art statement be placed of record in the application file.

This citation of prior art is made under 37 CFR 1.97(c), since it is being filed after the mailing date of the first Office Action and before the mailing date of any Final Action.

The relevance of the prior art cited on the attached form PTO/SB/08a is as follows:

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This invention relates to an electrostatic powder coating method whereby free ions in the vicinity of a spray gun are trapped and the fine powder, which has a particle diameter of 25 μm or less, is electrostatically charged and applied to the surface of an electrically grounded object to be coated. An electrostatic powder coating apparatus which is equipped with an electrostatic gun for electrostatically charging fine powder, which has a particle diameter of 25 μm or less, and spraying the charged fine powder to the surface of the electrically grounded object to be coated, and a free ion trapping device for trapping free ions near the electrostatic gun.

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The purpose of this invention is to provide a motor core, and a motor having the motor core, suitable for reducing the size and the thickness of a motor in which electrical earth can be ensured between the core body and a fixing member thereof while solving the problem of rust. The motor core comprises a core body 88 having an annular base part 87 provided with a fixing hole 90 and ties parts 89 extending radially outward from the base part 87 at an interval in the circumferential direction, and an insulation coating 92 covering the core body 88. The core body 88 is exposed at the inner circumferential part on one end face of the base part 87 and at one end part of the fixing hole 90 and the surface of the core body 88 is covered with the insulation coating 92 at other parts.

JP 2001-170551

The purpose of this invention is to provide a transporting method of a slight quantity of powder using an ejector pump, capable of ensuring a steady quantity of transportation without causing uneven transportation even when the transportation quantity is slight and not more than 10 grams per minute. In this transporting method where the powder is conveyed from a gas blow-in type fluidized bed powder tank 1 to a spray gun 13 by using an ejector pump 8, the ejector pump sucks and transports powder particles P, which exist in a floating state, i.e., in a form of powder aerosol, above the level surface L of a powder fluidized bed 7a.

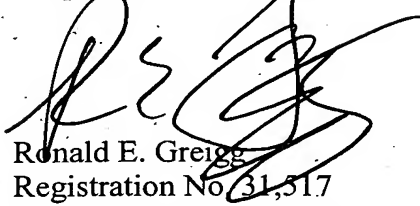
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This invention shows a stator (1) for an electric machine (15), in particular a turbo-generator, has an insulating layer (13) made of a powder coating (5). Also disclosed is a process for impregnating and insulating the stator (1) of an electric machine (15) by totally impregnating the stator (1) with an impregnating resin (4), then coating it with a powder coating (5) at a temperature from 20 °C to 70 °C. The thus obtained insulating layer (13) achieves with a single coating application a resistance to heat and tracking currents higher than that achieved by wet coating. The powder coating (5) preferably contains an epoxy resin based on bisphenol-A. Since the powder coating (5) contains no solvents and is used up to 99 %, the insulating layer (13) is produced in a particularly environmentally friendly manner.

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Examination of this application is respectfully requested.

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